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SARGENT'S PECULIAR. PECULIAR; A TALE OF THE GERAT TRANSITION. By Figure

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Mr. Sargent has won a high and honorable repuation as an effective worker in various departments of elegant letters. As a poet, a dramatist, an editor of valuable educational works, and a journalist, his name is handson ely connected with the literature of his country. He is understood to have made previous ventures in the field of fictitious composition: but for the most part, they have been published anonymously; and to all practical intents, the present work may be regarded as his first elaborate and ambitious essay in nevel-writing. Perhaps the captious reader might detect the marks of this in the over-crowded and cometimes confused arrangement of the plot, its frequent want of nice joinery and dovetailing in the connection of its details, and an occasional violation of harmony, and excess of coloring in the delineation of character; but for variety of incidents, naturalness and force of description, and intense dramatic effect, no candid judge will deny it the possession of eminent

The prominent figure in the story is a fugitive slave, who was christened by the whimsical name in this of "Peculiar Institution," and who after a series of the content of a content of the content of of "Peculiar Institution," and who after a series of remarkable adventures, is found in the maks of the

The Colonel wore a loosely fitting frock-coat and pant The Colonel were a loosely fitting frock-cost and pantaloons, evidently bought ready made. They were of a greyish nondescript material which he used to benet was manufactured in Georgia. He generally carried his bands in his pockets, and bestowed his tobacco-juice impartially on all sides with the chandon of a free and independent citizen who has not been used to carpets. There were two things of which Colonel Deluncy Hyde was proud: one, his name, the other, his Virginia birth. It is interesting to trace back the genealogy of heroes; and we have it in our power to do this justice to the Colonel.

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Emily, the tenderly-bred and beaution.

By a fair fight for a descendant of the cavaliers, the Colonel meant one of two things: either a six-barreled revolver against an unarmed antagonist, or an ambush in which the aforeasid descendant could hit, but be secure against being hit in return. One of the Colonel's cure against being hit in return. One of the Colonel's cure against being hit in return. One of the Colonel's cure against being hit in return. One of the Colonel's cure against being hit in return. One of the Colonel's cure against being hit in return. One of the Colonel's cure against being hit in return. One of the Colonel's cure against being hit in return. One of the Colonel's cure against being hit in return. One of the Colonel's cure against being hit in return. One of the Colonel's cure again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches slave Power—if ever again I paliste its crimes or unarmed anticolonely again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches slave Power—if ever again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches slave Power—if ever again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches slave Power—if ever again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches slave Power—if ever again in paliste its crimes or unarmed anticolonely again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches slave Power—if ever again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches slave Power—if ever again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches again, in thought or act, I show mercy to this merches a

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"So much the better! I'm ready. I had but one tie to hind me here; and that was Perdita. And she has field. And what would I be to her, were she here! Nothing: I charles, this day's news has made me ten years older already. O for an army with banners, to go down into that bloody region of the Rio Grande, and right the wrongs of the persecuted."

"Be patient. We shall live to see the old fing wave resplendent over free and regenerated Texas."

"Amen! Good heavens. Charles I—it appells me when I think what a different man I am from what I was when I crossed this threshelds one like hour ago!"

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Wait till be's tempted with a Coloneloy in the Confederate army, "sneered Robson. "Ah Mr. Kenrick, when you see Onslow charging into Philadelphia, at the head of his troop of horse, saeking that piethoric oid city of rectangles—leering at the pretty Quackerssee,—knocking down his own men for unsoldierly familiarities,—walking into those Chestnat-street jewelry stores and pocketlag the diamond rings,—when you see all that, you'll wish you'd gone with the winning side."

No sooner had he come than Kenrick said: "Let us adjourn to your room. I have something to say to

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It jarred on Kenrick's heart for the moment to se that Onslow, in the midst of his troubles, still thought of Perdita, but soon, stilling the selfsh tremot, he said: "What we would do we must do quickly. Will you go North with me and join the armies of the

strike at Sievery. Well, he shall find me no tame ally. "Can that he well, he shall find me no tame ally."

Onslow's heart was too full to comment on the reply.

He took up the strands of hair, kissed them fervently, and placed them with his father's letter in a little silk watch hag, which he pinned inside of his vest just over his heart.

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theology and Biblical interpretation and criticism of where, during the three weeks previous, she had been American Universalists. At the same time it will aim thoroughly refitted and repaired, and was destined for religious thought and progress of all denominations. The same her most effective services as a blockader. On the aid of the most eminent writers and thinkers in the religious body of which it purposes to be a leading organ is wind began to blow very strongly from the south east promised, and it will doubtless deserve and receive a and continued to increase during the night to such an liberal patronage from Universalists throughout the extent that by morning it was a most violent gale. The course of the Nansemond was directly in its face, as that the waves and the winds spent the whole force of when, with a report like the discharge of a cannon, . ture or science is more surprising to me than the mis- gigantic sea struck her just forward of her port beam,

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